



**MAIN LIBRARY
CATAWBA COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM
115 West C Street**

Newton, NC 28658

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Countywide book sale marathon May 2

NEWTON—Book lovers should circle May 2 on their calendars. That's the date when Friends groups around the county will hold their big annual book sales.

Serious bargain hunters will want to make a day of it. The sales are scheduled that Saturday at:

SHERRILLS FORD—8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Sherrills Ford Terrell Fire Station at corner of Slanting Bridge & Hwy 150.

CLAREMONT—9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Claremont City Hall.

NEWTON – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Catawba County Library, 115 W. C Street.

Items will include like-new donated books and audio/visual materials as well as discarded items from the library system. Prices are set by the individual Friends group.

The book sales benefit the community in a variety of ways. Not only do they promote literacy and reading, but they offer a low-cost way for families to build a home library. In addition, used book sales recycle materials and keep them out of the county landfill.

What's more, proceeds enable Friends of the Library to purchase new books and supplies for the library and to provide literature-based programming such as author visits, homework help and Summer Reading.

Book enthusiasts may get a head start on the sale frenzy in Newton on Thursday, April 30 from 3-7 p.m. That members-only preview sale offers a chance to get the first pick before the public sale days, 10-5 on Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2. Memberships will be sold at the door.

Claremont and Sherrills Ford Friends are operated separately with varying membership rates, but membership is not required to purchase materials at any location on May 2.

Print and audio/visual materials in good condition may be donated to the Friends groups until Monday, April 27. Both fiction and nonfiction books are sought, including materials for adults and children. Any materials that are badly soiled or out-of-date should be discarded. Also, please don't bring magazines, encyclopedias, *Readers' Digest* condensed books or textbooks.

For more information about Friends of Catawba County Library, contact Lynne Bolick Reed at 465-8292. Questions about other Friends groups should be directed to the respective branches, 459-9311 (Claremont) or 478-2729 (Sherrills Ford).



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